Lipipor™ NLF Filter

Filter for Parenteral Nutrition

- Retention of particles, microorganisms and oversized lipid droplets
- Safe administration of nutrient lipid containing solutions
- 1.2 µm polyethersulphone membrane
- Air elimination
- For paediatric and neonatal care

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- The use of 1.2 µm filters in nutrient lipid emulsions has been advocated by professional organisations.¹
- Particulate contamination arises from infusion systems, components, manipulations² and precipitates, due to interactions between nutrient components³ or drugs. Particles have been shown to cause damage to endothelial cells, trigger inflammation reactions and thrombus formation.¹ Particulate contamination leads to loss of functional capillary density, especially in tissue with a pre-existing ischaemic insult and may lead to loss of organ function and organ failure.⁵, ⁶

Gross precipitation in admixtures has proven fatal and may not be visible when lipid is present.³

**Figure 1**
Particle Retained on a Pall Infusion Filter Membrane Used Clinically

- Air can become entrained in infusions due to degassing, disconnection or run-dry. It may not be visible in lipid-containing preparations. Air bubbles have been shown to cause tissue ischaemia and to induce inflammation.⁷
- Enlarged lipid droplets may arise in admixtures due to emulsion instability and due to the use of plastic bag containers.³ The U.S. Pharmacopeia suggests that the proportion of lipid present as droplets > 5 µm should not exceed 0.05% of the total fat present.³ The infusion of unstable All-In-One (AIO) admixtures has been shown to cause tissue injury and oxidative stress to reticuloendothelial system organs.⁸
- Microbiological contamination can inadvertently occur in infusion systems due to manipulations. Parenteral nutrition is an acknowledged risk for fungaemia, with *Candida* species being the most common organisms involved.¹¹ *Malassezia furfur* is emerging as an increasingly important pathogen in neonates. These fungi are able to survive and grow in lipid-containing preparations.¹²

**Technical Specifications**

| Filter Medium | 1.2 µm polyethersulphone Supor® membrane |
| Tubing Extension | Non-phthalate microbore |
| Hold-up Volume (filter housing and extension tubing) | 0.8 mL |
| Flow Rate | Maximum recommended pumped flow rate is 75 mL/hr for lipid containing admixtures |
| Max Working Pressure | 2 bar (30 psi) |
| Connectors | ISO male luer outlet and ISO female luer inlet |

**Usage**

Single patient use: 24 hours maximum

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**References**

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